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96.00 Utility Accommodation
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A. General

The utility is responsible to assure that the work site is secure against any hazard to the public at all times until all of the work is completed. Vehicles, equipment and materials which are in active use at the work site shall be regulated by the utility as to assure consistently safe conditions.

Sheeting, shoring, bulkheads, or temporary/permanent concrete barrier, etc., may be ordered by the Department if considered necessary to protect the highway and the traveling public.

B. Equipment/Material Storage

Utility hardware or equipment which is located at the work site but not in immediate (same day) use should be stored in a safe location off of the right-of-way. If this not practical, then the equipment or material may be stored beyond the clear zone and as close to the fence or right-of-way line as possible.

C. Vehicle/Equipment Visibility

Vehicles and equipment shall have their high intensity flashing (strobe or revolving) and hazard warning lights operating when they are within the clear zone during work operations.

D. Individual Conduct

All Department, county, utility, and contractor personnel who are out of their vehicles and within the right-of-way should wear their retro-reflective safety vests at all times. During daytime hours only, the use of a highly visible, non-reflectorized shirt or jacket is acceptable in lieu of a safety vest. Colors commonly used for these garments include, but are not limited to, orange, lime-green, and yellow-green.